

Meeting Minutes
Meeting of February 6, 2014

A meeting of the Connecticut Siting Council (energy/telecommunications) was held on Thursday, February 6, 2014, in Hearing Room One, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut. The meeting was called to order with a quorum present by Chairman Stein at 1:08 p.m.

Council Members Present:

Robert Stein
Chairman
James J. Murphy
Vice Chairman
Robert Hannon
(designee for Commissioner Klee)

Daniel P. Lynch
Michael W. Klemens
Barbara C. Bell
Eileen M. Daily (departed at 2:05 p.m.)

Council Member Absent:

Michael Caron
(designee for Chairman House)

Philip T. Ashton

Staff Members Present:

Melanie Bachman
Acting Executive Director/Staff Attorney
Fred Cunliffe
Siting Analyst Supervisor
Christina Walsh
Siting Analyst Supervisor

Michael Perrone
Siting Analyst
David Martin
Siting Analyst

Recording Secretary:

Lisa Fontaine

Minutes of January 23, 2014.

Dr. Bell moved to approve the Minutes of January 23, 2014; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 134B - Iroquois Gas Transmission System, L.P. Amended Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for an interstate natural gas transmission pipeline from Sherman to Milford and Long Island Sound. Request to Alter Annual Ground Inspection Report Frequency and Long-Term Right-of-Way Maintenance Plan.

Dr. Bell moved to approve that the Iroquois Long-Term Right-of-Way Maintenance Plan be submitted to the Council for review and approval when revisions are made to the document; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Bell moved to approve that the Annual Ground Inspection be submitted on a biennial basis; seconded by Mr. Lynch. Upon discussion of the Annual Ground Inspection Report, Dr. Bell withdrew her motion.

Mr. Murphy moved to table this item for more information; seconded by Mr. Hannon. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 401 - T-Mobile Northeast LLC Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 208 Valley Road, New Canaan, Connecticut. Transfer of Certificate.

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the Transfer of Certificate to Phoenix Partnership, LLC; seconded by Dr. Klemens. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Klemens moved to approve a six-month extension of time to complete construction of this project until February 3, 2015; seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

DOCKET NO. 440 – New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (AT&T) application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction, maintenance, and operation of a telecommunications facility located at 522 Colebrook Road, Colebrook, Connecticut. Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, Decision & Order.

Dr. Bell moved to approve the Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order, as amended; seconded by Dr. Klemens. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Stein requested a written vote on the record with Mr. Murphy, Dr. Klemens, Dr. Bell, Mr. Lynch, Mrs. Daily, Mr. Hannon, and Chairman Stein in favor of granting a Certificate for the proposed telecommunications facility.

PETITION NO. 754 - Best Management Practices for Electric and Magnetic Fields. Update.

Mr. Murphy moved to send the draft revisions of the Best Management Practices for Electric and Magnetic Fields to the Petition No. 754 service list for comments; seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

TS-AT&T-143-131227 - AT&T request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 136 Wright Road, Torrington, Connecticut.

Dr. Bell moved to take this item off of the table; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Murphy moved to approve this tower sharing request, which will be copied to the City of Torrington and the tower owner with an explanation that the Council has no authority to require the reservation of space for the City's antennas and with the following conditions:

- Prior to antenna installation, the tower modifications depicted in the Tower Modification Drawings prepared by B+T Group dated December 13, 2013, and stamped by Chad Tuttle, shall be implemented; and
- Within 45 days following completion of the antenna installation, AT&T shall provide documentation certified by a professional engineer that its installation complied with the requirements of the structural analysis.

The motion was seconded by Dr. Bell and passed unanimously.

TS-VER-069-140117 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 812 Providence Pike, Killingly, Connecticut.

Mr. Murphy moved to approve this tower sharing request with the following conditions:

- Prior to antenna installation, the tower reinforcements outlined in Section 5 of the report prepared by Centek Engineering dated December 6, 2013, and stamped by Carlo Centore, shall be implemented; and
- Within 45 days following completion of the antenna installation, Cellco shall provide documentation certified by a professional engineer that its installation complied with the requirements of the structural analysis.

The motion was seconded by Dr. Bell, and passed with Mr. Hannon and Dr. Klemens voting no.

Eileen Daily left at 2:05 p.m.

TS-VER-054-140117 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 2577 Main Street, Glastonbury, Connecticut.

Dr. Klemens moved to approve this tower sharing request with the following conditions:

- The coax shall be installed in accordance with the Structural Analysis Report prepared by FDH Engineering, Inc. dated September 24, 2013;
- Prior to antenna installation, the tower modifications listed in FDH Engineering Inc. (Project No. 1338401400) drawings dated June 17, 2013 and (Project No. 13SB5C1400) drawings dated September 10, 2013 prepared by FDH Engineering Inc. dated September 24, 2013, and stamped by Bradley Newman, shall be implemented;
- Within 45 days following completion of the antenna installation, Cellco shall provide documentation certified by a professional engineer that its installation complied with the requirements of the structural analysis; and
- Furthermore, Cellco shall submit to the Council a Radio Frequency Exposure Report with field measurements taken in the vicinity of this facility within 60 days after the installation has been completed.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Murphy, and passed unanimously.

TS-VER-076-140121 - Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless request for an order to approve tower sharing at an existing telecommunications facility located at 17 Cottage Street, Madison, Connecticut.

Dr. Bell moved to approve this tower sharing request with the following conditions:

- The coax shall be installed in accordance with the Structural Analysis Report prepared by FDH Engineering, Inc. dated October 31, 2013 and stamped by J. Darrin Holt, PhD; and
- Within 45 days following completion of the antenna installation, Cellco shall provide documentation certified by a professional engineer that its installation complied with the requirements of the structural analysis.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Lynch, and passed unanimously.

State Telecom Plan

Dr. Bell moved to adopt the revisions to the State-wide Telecommunications Coverage Plan, as amended, pursuant to C.G.S. §16-50ee; seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

Administrative Matters.

PETITION NO. 1058 - The Connecticut Light and Power Company petition for a declaratory ruling that no Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need is required for the proposed 1990 line structure replacement project consisting of modifications of two sections of an existing 115-kV transmission line from Stevenson Substation to Frost Bridge Substation and from Baldwin Junction to Baldwin Substation traversing the municipalities of Monroe, Oxford, Middlebury, Waterbury and Watertown, Connecticut.

Mr. Murphy moved to add this item to the agenda; seconded by Dr. Bell. The motion passed unanimously.

Dr. Bell moved to approve the revision to the Development and Management (D&M) Plan for the project submitted to the Council on January 30, 2014, for the use of implosive connectors to splice line segments of this replacement project; seconded by Mr. Murphy. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Murphy moved to approve the revision to the Development and Management (D&M) Plan for the project submitted to the Council via email on February 5, 2014, for possible helicopter line stringing on Saturday, February 8, 2014 and/or on Sunday, February 9, 2014 in the event of delay due to inclement weather; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

The following calendar events were discussed.

- Thursday, February 20, 2014, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- Thursday, March 6, 2014, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.
- Thursday, March 20, 2014, beginning at **1:00 p.m.** energy/telecommunications meeting, in Hearing Room Two, Ten Franklin Square, New Britain, Connecticut.

Adjournment.

Dr. Klemens moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Mr. Lynch. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairman Stein adjourned the meeting at 2:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Robert Stein
Chairman

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